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3 Men Studied in Kennedy Assassination Photos

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DALLAS, May 10—Photographs of three shabbily dressed men being led by the police from the scene of the assassination of President Kennedy are being re-examined by a photographic expert for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The expert was sent here from Washington on orders from the Rockefeller Commission, which is investigating Central Intelligence Agency involvement in domestic affairs, according to Herb Grubert, an assistant special agent of the bureau.

The pictures, mostly taken by newsmen covering the assassination in 1963, show three men who were temporarily detained by the police who converged on the assassination site after the shots that killed the President.

Conspiracy theorists contend that two of the men have strong resemblances to convicted in the Watergate break-in, E. Howard Hunt Jr. and Frank A. Sturgis, both of whom had associations with the C.I.A.

2 'Vagrants' in Pictures Said to Resemble Watergate's Hunt and Sturgis

The unidentified expert took original negatives of the controversial pictures this week and reconstructed the manner in which the pictures were taken on Nov. 22, 1963, even down to the distance from the ground the person who took the pictures held his camera, explained Mr. Grugbert.

Then, the Washington-based expert took new photographs from the exact spots the original pictures were snapped.

By duplicating the distances and angles and by locating reference points that appear in both the 1963 photos and the new pictures, he will be able to compute heights and weights of the three men who were released by the Dallas police in 1963. He will also be able to obtain details of bone structure and other individual traits by comparative analysis, Mr. Grubert said.

Once computed, the new data will be compared with existing information about Mr. Hunt and Mr. Sturgis as they were in 1963.

In all, six different photographs of the three mysterious "vagrants" are being analyzed by the F.B.I. for the Rockefeller Commission.